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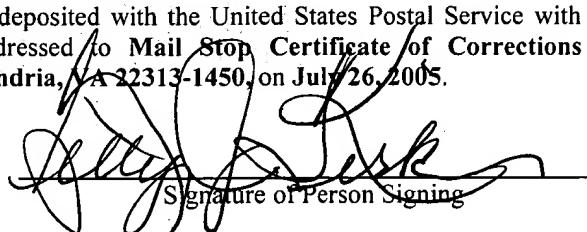
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Applicants respectfully submit the enclosed proposed Certificate of Correction, which corrects numerous clerical errors made by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in the Letters Patent Number **US 6,900,956 B2**, issued on **May 31, 2005**.

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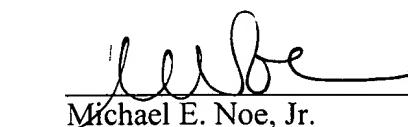
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It is certified that an error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

1. In Column 11, Claim 1, line 30, please add -- an axis of rotation, an outer perimeter, and -- after the word "having".
2. In Column 11, Claim 1, line 31, please add -- extending therebetween; -- after the word "surface".
3. In Column 11, Claim 1, line 36, please add -- the local magnetic field generator being located exclusively radially inboard of the outer perimeter of the magnetic disk between the outer perimeter and the axis of the magnetic disk; -- after the word "field".
4. In Column 11, Claim 3, line 49, please add -- an axis of rotation, an outer perimeter, and -- after the word "having".
5. In Column 11, Claim 3, line 49, please add -- extending therebetween; -- after the word "surface".
6. In Column 11, Claim 3, line 55, please remove the word -- and-- after the semicolon at the end of the sentence.
7. In Column 11, Claim 3, line 63, please remove the period after the word "head" and add -- ; and -- at the end of the sentence. Directly after this, add a new paragraph -- the protrusions being located exclusively radially inboard of the outer perimeter of the magnetic disk between the outer perimeter and the axis of the magnetic disk. --
8. In Column 12, Claim 7, line 10, after the word "having" insert -- an axis of rotation, an outer perimeter, and --.
9. In Column 12, Claim 7, line 11, after the word "surface", insert -- extending therebetween; --.

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11. In Column 12, Claim 11, line 37, after the word "having", insert -- an axis of rotation and --.
12. In Column 12, Claim 13, line 59, after the word "having", insert -- an axis of rotation and --.
13. In Column 13, Claim 14, line 20, after the word "disk" insert -- having an axis of rotation and an outer perimeter, and being --.
14. In Column 14, Claim 14, line 5, after the word "enclosure" insert -- exclusively between the axis and the outer perimeter of the magnetic disk,--.

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